

Green Building

Measure 54 – Government Facility at a Greyfield

5 Points

A local government has located one or more facilities at a greyfield site(s).

Discussion:

In 2004 the Cobb County Board of Commissioners purchased an abandoned strip shopping center at 736 Whitlock Ave., Marietta, Ga. on 8.3 acres. A Kroger grocery store was the primary anchor tenant, with other typical strip center tenants.

The site had been surveyed previously for environmental contamination from a former dry cleaning operation at the site. Contamination was documented, and prior to construction, Cobb County contracted for an environmental assessment which documented contaminated soils still on-site. Prior to construction, a Brownfield remediation plan was approved by EPD and implemented by Cobb County. (See ARC Measure 53, included with this submittal.)

The site contained a 54,500 sq. ft. building which was completed renovated. The renovation included a small “brownfield” restoration to remove soils contaminated by a former dry cleaner located on the site.

Completed in 2007 and renamed the WestPark Government Center, the renovated facility houses the offices of the Cobb County Tax Commissioner, Elections Board, and SafePath Children’s Advocacy Center.

Documentation:

- A copy of the floor plan for the redevelopment is included.
- Pictures of the center (before and after) are included.